I say therefore that the member knows the answer.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Does it follow, Sir?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer is there.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*): It has no connection with that. Therefore I asked the question.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The question is who was the man?

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): From the way in which the question is put, is it suggested that it was the Devaswom Commissioner who presided over the Assembly? Has the member suggested it?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): After he became the Devaswom Commissioner he might have held other posts. Therefore, does it follow that it was the Devaswom Commissioner who presided at the Assembly?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The question indicates what appointment he held.

Kottayam-Kumarakam Road.

478. **MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the nature of the action they have taken in respect of the construction of the Kottayam-Kumarakam road; and

(*b*) if they have not taken any action as yet (3-4-1929) the reason for the same?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) An estimate has been called for from the Chief Engineer.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*) above.

The Chunkam Bridge.

479. **MR. R. RAMAN PILLAI** (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state what action they have taken regarding the construction of the Chunkam bridge on the border of the town of Kottayam?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The matter is under the consideration of the Government.

Laws' Delays.

480. **MR. REVATI NAL RAMA VARMA RAJA** (*Edavagai*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the High Court has made any recommendation to them regarding the Laws' Delays enquiry;

(*b*) if so, when and what action they have taken on it; and

(*c*) if no action has been taken yet (22-8-1104) the reason for the same?

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MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) In April 1928. The question is engaging the attention of the Government.

(*c*) In view of the answer to part (*b*), this does not arise.

Salary and Allowances to Officers of the Education Department.

481. **MR. TAMARAPALLIL KOCHUTOMMAN** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the amounts of money disbursed from the State, in the shape of salary and allowances in 1103, to the officers of the Education Department drawing a monthly salary of Rs. 50 and upwards and classified under Brahmins, Nayars, Catholic Christians, Non-Catholic Christians, Ezhavas and Muslims?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Government do not propose to call for the information as, in their opinion, the time and labour involved in its collection would be out of all proportion to its possible utility.

The Ayurveda Department.

482. **MR. T. C. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam* cum *Vilavankod*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the nature of the action they have taken on a memorial submitted to them by the representatives of the 23rd Session of the Sri Mulam Popular Assembly for reforming the Ayurveda Department ;

(*b*) whether they have undertaken to take up the reorganisation of the Ayurveda Department, and, if so, when ;

(*c*) the nature of the action they have taken on the resolution passed at the 2nd Session of the Travancore Ayurveda Conference held at Trivandrum and submitted to the Government ; and

(*d*) whether they are contemplating the establishment of an Ayurveda Research Institute in Travancore?

MR. P. N. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*), and (*b*) The scheme submitted by the Director of Ayurveda for the reorganisation of the Department is engaging the attention of the Government.

(*c*) and (*d*) They are being considered by the Government.

Reorganisation of the Registration and Anchal Departments.

483. **MR. R. KESAVA PILLAI** (*Kottarakara* cum *Kunnattur*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the reason why they have not yet (6-8-1104) carried into effect the schemes for the reorganisation of the Registration and the Anchal Departments ; and

(*b*) whether draft schemes have been prepared by the heads of the respective departments and submitted to the Government?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The scheme for the general reorganisation of a department requires careful scrutiny and examination from the financial as well as the administrative aspect. It is hoped to issue the final orders soon.

(*b*) Yes.

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